

Contacts - You can contact us on (01884) 35018. The Pre-school mobile number is 07927057415. We can also be contacted at admin@cullomptonpreschool.org Our website address is www.cullomptonpreschool.org See our website for general 'Like' us on Facebook to information and our weekly blog and photos of what children have been doing and learning. -rsee regular updates of our session activities.

Our next committee meetings will take place at 7.30 pm on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April and Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2023 via Zoom. Meetings are open to all parents, we would welcome your support. If you would like to join the meeting, please let us know in the office and we will send you a link.

**Sept 2024 –** We are now starting to complete our register for September 2024 and speaking to families on our waiting list and e-mailing our Induction process to them. If you have a younger sibling or know someone who may want to join us please collect a registration form from the office or you can download one from our website.

**Poorly Children** – If your child appears to be under the weather please consider if they are well enough to cope with a busy session/day at preschool before sending them in. Please do not send your child/children to pre-school if they have a raised temperature. A quiet sofa day at home is very different from a busy pre-school session. Important information for parents:-



- Please do not send your child back to pre-school until 48 hours after the last bout of sickness/diarrhoea.
- Please do not send your child back to pre-school for at least 24 hours after their fever ends.
- If antibiotics are prescribed, please allow 48 hours from the start of treatment before returning to pre-school to allow for an allergic reaction.



Absence line - we have a dedicated absence line on our main telephone number which is regularly checked. Please clearly leave your name, your child's name and the reason for their absence. If your child is poorly, please give details of their specific ailment so that we can record the reason for your child's absence.



**September starters** - We are now working on our register for September starters. If you have family and friends that wish to register please encourage them to do so by completing a registration form,

available from the office or from our website (click on 'Induction Process'). Our main intake is in September so please be aware that spaces cannot be held or guaranteed for children to start in other months of the school year.



Don't forget to check out our weekly blog on our website! It's full of information about our sessions across the week with lots of photos of our many activities.

THANK You Thank you to all our families that collect our Tesco's Fareshare for us and to Sarah our housekeeper for organising this.

Thank you to all our parents and grandparents who have helped us on our local outings so far over this term– we are so grateful for your help– we cannot go on trips without your support. If any of our parents/grandparents would like to help with trips, even if your child isn't in the group outing, please let us know and we will add you to our contact list.

## Nurture

We run lots of small groups here at pre-school during the day which support us to nurture the children. We believe very much in caring and nurturing and helping the children through any hard times with learning or behaviour or friendships or confidence. Our small groups are perfect, and very very popular! My team and I chat about how the children are getting on all the time, sharing news from their key person, talking about development and progress and who is doing well and who may need a little bit of quiet time with us.

In the groups we play games, talk, learn about emotions, take turns, choose friends, explore rules, make friends, draw, enjoy books and use the growing garden as well as a place for nurturing children and our bulbs! Our groups for next half term will be for children who are making new friendships, children who find it hard to choose what to play with, children who struggle to manage their feelings sometimes, children who are a bit shy in a large circle time and children who need a little bit of quiet time away from the busy free flow and also groups of children who need a bit of direction to ensure their play stays on track when it can be hard to take turns.

We will let you know if your child is in a nurture group and why and share how they are getting along - sometimes we use the groups to explore where they are with maths or literacy as some children prefer to share their ideas and knowledge in quiet time rather than circle time.

We often have lots of children asking to join us so we try to include everyone over the course of a half term so they all feel special.

If you have any questions please let me know

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We have no spare socks for both boys and girls. If you have any spares or any that your child has grown out of we would be very grateful for them!





We are always in need of donations of carrier bags, particular the 'bag for life type'. We use these regularly to make our Fairshare grocery bags. If you are able to donate a few please hand them in at the pre-school office.

**Urgent Tip Run** – If any of our families are doing a 'tip run' really soon and would be willing to take some items for pre-school we would be very grateful. Please let the office know if you can help.



We are excited to have arranged a collection with Bag2School for 1<sup>st</sup> May 2024 at Preschool. Bag2School is a fundraising scheme that raises funds through textile recycling. Bag2School will collect unwanted fabrics/textiles from Preschool which in turn raises money for us! This is an opportunity to sort through your cupboards and wardrobes and donate unwanted textiles in the bags provided (these bags will be available from the office in due course). This can include adults' and children's clothes, shoes (tied together please), hats, belts, handbags and soft toys, (please refer to <a href="https://bag2school.com">https://bag2school.com</a> for

full details). In addition to raising much needed funds it will also raise awareness amongst the children of the benefits of recycling and reuse.



Easter Bingo 16 March We hope to see you at our Easter Bingo this Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> March! Doors open 6:30pm and eyes down 7:30pm at the Cullompton Town Hall.



Date	Details
As Soon As Possible Please!	Deadline to return your child's bike ride sponsorship form
Monday 18th March – Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March 2024	Sponsored Bike Ride Event
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March 2024	Last day of Spring Term
29 <sup>th</sup> March – 14 <sup>th</sup> April 2024	Easter Holidays (Pre-school is closed)
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April 2024	First day of Summer Term
Saturday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June 2024	SUMMER FETE
1 <sup>st</sup> May 2024	Bag2School Collection Date